

HENDON-AND MUD- DEFEAT WYCOMBE

Sports Mail Special Report

WITH ten men—Jimmy Quail was carried off in the 37th minute with a broken leg—Hendon defeated Wycombe Wanderers 2—1 in their home Amateur Cup quarter-final.

Hendon: J. Swannell; Hogwood, for Hendon after a Rundle error, in the 37th minute.

Wycombe Wan.: Maskell; Bradshaw, Beck; Baker, Rundle, Lewis; Roystone, Samuels, Bates, Horseman, Merrick.

Referee: F. F. Webb (Newmarket). It was his first Senior appearance this season. Before the game referee Fred Webb (Newmarket) brushed aside protests by the Wycombe officials that the ground was unfit.

Hendon went ahead after two minutes when EVANS shot into an empty net after Maskell had run out and only half cleared well out in the penalty area. It was a bad mistake and a well taken chance.

HORSEMAN put Wycombe on terms after 20 minutes after a fine dribble through by Bates.

CHURCHILL made it 2—1

Two minutes later Quail was carried off with a broken right leg after a mid-field tackle.

Half-time: Hendon 2, Wycombe 1.

Wycombe threw everything into attack against the depleted Hendon and full-back Beck had a shot saved by Swannell.

Horseman went close from a corner, his first-time volley brushing the crossbar.

Merrick missed a chance to equalise blasting wide with Swannell out of position. Churchill shot wide after running half the length of the field.

With only Maskell to beat he was harassed by the advancing keeper.

RESULT:
HENDON 2
WYCOMBE WAND. 1

BECK SHINES FOR WYCOMBE

Hendon 2 Wycombe 1

WYCOMBE'S dreams of Wembley were crushed by clogging mud, a supreme effort by ten tenacious Hendon players and a superb match-winning goal from right-winger Laurie Churchill in the F.A. Amateur Cup fourth-round tie.

Hendon's notoriously heavy pitch brought a pre-match protest from Wycombe's officials, after referee Fred Webb, of Newmarket, had decided it fit for play.

Apart from the atrocious conditions, this great battle of endurance was clouded by an innocent-looking tackle between Wycombe pivot Ian Rundle and Hendon's scheming inside left Jimmy Quail.

They clashed in the 37th minute and Quail collapsed and was taken to hospital with a broken right leg.

Within two minutes the Amateur Cup holders had swarmed into the lead through John Evans, the Welshman who gave up a chance of an international cap to help his club.

Eighteen minutes later Wycombe equalised when Tony Horseman beat keeper John Swannell.

But Hendon, well acquainted with their heavy ground and accordingly using a fast, long ball, went ahead through Churchill following excellent work by Quail and leader Dave Swain.

In a match that demanded more stamina than skill, the determined and intelligent play of Wycombe left back John Beck was outstanding.